

HEWLETT BROTHERS OPEN CAN FACTORY

Progressive Firm Furnishes
Substantial Evidence of
Aiding Home Industry.

PLANT IS UP TO DATE

Latest Type of Machinery Is
Seen and Admired by Promi-
nent Salt Laker.

Formal opening of the new tin can factory of the Hewlett Brothers company was held yesterday afternoon, with a large body of interested, enthusiastic and progressive citizens as guests. The opening was completely successful throughout, being conducted with the customary Hewlett simplicity and vigor.

Every machine in the place was being operated, turning out hundreds of cans each hour, completed and ready for receiving the contents for which they were intended. The several processes were watched with great interest by the visitors, who followed the cans from the cutting and dye-stamping machines to the processes of assembling, filling and labeling.

Machines Work Well.

There were three powerful stamp machines, fitted with steel dies, the first one cutting round lids and the others three ready to go on to the body of the can. Next to it was another powerful stamp, also fitted with steel dies, that cut and shaped the bottoms of the cans. Succeeding this one was a machine of similar type that stamped the sides of square cans in four panels and cut the edges of the seams. Another cut the bottoms and tops for these square cans, which are used as syrup packages, ranging from a quart to five gallons in capacity.

Round cans go from the stamping machines to the assembling device. This consists of rapidly revolving discs upon which the bottom and the body of the can are placed, there being joined and the seam turned in an instant's time for each. The square cans are sent to hand assemblers, who have large trays of molten solder on the long work bench, into which the seams are uniformly dipped and soldered against leakage. They then go to an inspector, who makes assurance doubly sure by testing them for possible leaks and remedies any defect discovered.

Complete Equipment.

In this portion of the plant the machinery is operated by two fifteen horse power electric motors, and when all the machines are in operation, the scene presented is such a busy one as to fire the ambitious onlooker with a desire to be up and doing something, too.

After having seen the can-making machines do their work the visitors were conducted through the other portions of the plant. They saw the can and coffee packing departments, where the individual packages are filled with their contents for market. Most of the filling is done by automatic weighing machines, which admit the required weight of product and then automatically shut off the supply as each package is filled. Then the goods were taken into the tin can department, where the sides and bottoms were ground. Here an occasional "a-choo!" was greeted with laughter by the merry visitors, but was undoubtedly accepted by Orson F. Hewlett, as a compliment to the pungency of odor attaching to his sniffs. It was not an unusual thing, either, to hear the sniffer of one moment emit a lusty "a-choo!" in the next.

Up on the third floor the boxes, many of which were swiftly putting together the wooden boxes and crates in which the smaller packages were to be packed for shipment. The tin can testing room was also had. This is a laboratory in which an expert makes careful tests of all tins, coffees, spices and flavoring extract bases received by the firm. It is upon this expert's tests that perfect blending of coffee depends, as well as the exact proportions of spices and flavors to be used in producing the highest grades of flavoring extracts.

Experts in Evidence.

Other rooms were devoted to aging processes. One was for aging baking powder, and it was explained that it was necessary to keep this at an even temperature day and night in order to secure proper aging of the baking powder stored therein for a set period. In another room were barrels of the concentrate vanilla extract. These were kept there for a long period for the purpose of ripening.

While the visitors were in the coffee roasting room a batch of roasted coffee was discharged from the roaster. There were three bags, or 300 pounds of green coffee originally in the batch. Of course, evaporation of moisture in the roasting process reduced this materially, the reduction varying with almost every bag, twenty minutes being required for each roasting batch. The roasted beans were automatically conveyed across the room to a steel cutter, where they were reduced to what is called ground coffee.

It was stated that the new tin can factory alone, including building and machinery, cost approximately \$20,000. The building is 35x110 feet in dimensions in the main portion, with a wing of about 50x150 feet at one side of the west end. It is located near the old plant on State street, just below Seventh South.

After the plant had been inspected the visitors were conducted into the business department, where each one was presented with a souvenir package containing a pack of tea, a can of black pepper and a bottle of vanilla extract.

Appreciates Encouragement.

Just as the guests were leaving the place Orson F. Hewlett expressed gratitude for the kindly interest taken by his friends in what he had shown them. "There is nothing," said Mr. Hewlett, "that so encourages the manufacturer as to have his fellow citizens take an interest in his work. I heartily appreciate your visit to today. It gives me great pleasure and a vast amount of encouragement in our work. We are doing what we can to establish payrolls in Salt Lake and we are grateful for your interest in our efforts."

UNION PACIFIC HEAD IS HERE TO CONFER

President Mohler Comes to
Talk With Officials of
Short Line.

BUSINESS IS GROWING

Visitor Reports Larger Volume
on Harriman System Than
for Year Past.

A. L. Mohler, president of the Union Pacific and Oregon Short Line railroads, arrived in this city yesterday afternoon, and expects to remain here to confer with Robert S. Lovett, head of the Harriman system, and Julius Kruttschnitt, head of the maintenance and operation departments of the system. The latter two officials are expected to arrive here from California Monday or Tuesday of next week.

Mr. Mohler said last night that he had no definite arrangements for his meeting with Mr. Lovett and that there is a possibility that he may not be able to remain until Mr. Lovett arrives, providing that official does not come direct from California. According to Mr. Mohler, the object of his present visit is a conference with Vice President and General Manager W. H. Bancroft of the Oregon Short Line and other officials of that road in regard to matters of ordinary interest in the affairs of the roads west of and on the coast, and if they arrive here before Mr. Mohler's departure, the latter will accompany them east to meet the Union Pacific.

The head of the Harriman system and Mr. Kruttschnitt have been on an inspection tour of the lines in the southwest and on the coast, and expect to arrive here before Mr. Mohler's departure. The latter will accompany them east to meet the Union Pacific.

"We are not looking for ways in which to spend money; we are endeavoring to follow an economical policy and to secure the most efficient and most settled state. The present retrenchment policy of the system will be maintained for the present year. The business over the entire Harriman system is better today than it has been for a year, and there is every prospect of an increase in volume during the present year. The increase in our business has been general in both the freight and passenger traffic."

In regard to the general retrenchment policy of the system, Mr. Mohler's statements seemed to bear out those of Judge Lovett, pointed in an interview in a San Francisco paper several days ago. According to the conference, as reported by the system said: "We have not all the money in the world, so we can't spend it."

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ENGINEERS STUDY MOST FEASIBLE ROUTES FOR LINE TO EMERY FIELDS.

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As a part of the gigantic project to consolidate various holdings in the Emery county coal zone and to create a mighty system of fuel mines under one control, surveys are now being made from Provo, Spanish Fork, Nephi and other common points, to Mohrland, which is located in the very heart of the big fuel district. These surveys, it is declared, will determine the line over which the Utah Coal railroad, a vital part of the vast enterprise, will be constructed. The road, which will intersect the Salt Lake route at a point to be named upon completion of the surveys.

It also has transpired that when the Utah Coal railroad shall have been constructed, the same freight rate on fuel may become effective from Mohrland to the Pacific coast as now obtains from Gallup, N. M., one of the great coal shipping centers of the country, which supplies such coast points as San Pedro, Los Angeles and San Francisco with immense quantities of fuel.

Wants Benefit of Rate.

From railroad officials it is learned that the Gallatin rate to the coast is allowed also for the Utah route. That rate is quoted as \$5.50 per ton. In other words, it costs \$5.50 per ton to ship coal from Gallup to the coast, and \$5.50 per ton to ship coal from the Utah route to the coast. The same rate is allowed by the Salt Lake route from Utah common points to the coast.

The interests in control of the Emery county fuel mines project now propose to secure the allowance of the same rate from Mohrland and other points on the proposed coal line, to the coast, the same as though they were common points with Gallup and other points on the coast.

If the interests succeed in securing the Gallatin rate, effective at Mohrland for coast shipments, they will be able to enter into wide competition. It is declared, with the New Mexico interests, for the vast market on the coast, as well as for the great shipping market to points trans-Pacific.

Confer With Officials.

If the Gallatin rate is not allowed at Mohrland for coast shipments, it is probable that the shipments from the Emery county zone would cost the Gallatin rate, plus the expense of freightage to the coast. The proposed line to the point of railroad intersection.

Fred A. Wann, general traffic manager of the Salt Lake Road, is expected to arrive in the city today, and it is understood will confer with William C. Sharp, president of the United States Smelting, Refining and Mining company, representing the interests in control of the big project and others with regard to the proposed line, and the proposed rate.

It is also understood that negotiations are under way by which the big deal for the proposed line, extending nearly miles or more from the heart of the zone to the coast, will be sold to the Salt Lake Road. The deal is estimated to cost \$5,000,000. Purchases of holdings in Emery county have already raised the amount involved to \$10,000,000. Other negotiations to acquire additional coal properties are under way and it is believed will increase the total sum involved by millions.

Roads Lead to Market.

When the coal line has been constructed along the course as decided by the surveys now being made, it will connect at Mohrland with the Castle Valley road, making a continuous line through the fuel zone to Provo, the Denver & Rio Grande line, thus leading to markets in every direction.

Of the possible routes of the coal line, the most feasible at present seem to be from Provo, via Springfield and Thistle Creek, to the coast, or from Thistle Creek, via the Snake River, to the coast, or from either Nephi or Panguitch on the Salt Lake Road direct to Mohrland, or from the latter point to the coast. The latter route is the most feasible, and it is believed that the Salt Lake Road will be the one to build.

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OPERATION OF SLOT MACHINES TO CEASE

City Administration Has Taken
Definite Stand in the
Matter.

STATEMENT BY VARIAN

Corporation Counsel Says No
Form of Gambling Is to
Be Allowed.

"The city administration intends to put a complete stop to the operation of slot machines in Salt Lake City," said C. S. Varian, corporation counsel, yesterday. "The fact that we have not insisted on an immediate compliance with the new ordinance does not mean that the machines will be permitted to operate indefinitely. This form of gambling, as well as all other kinds, will be strictly prohibited."

Acting under orders of the corporation counsel, the police department has for several days been engaged in taking a "count" of the slot machines in operation in this city. This report was submitted yesterday to Judge Varian, and shows that 279 slot machines of various kinds are in use by 150 owners. "We gathered these statistics," said Judge Varian, "in order to find out how many machines are in operation in the city are operating gambling devices. If we can not suppress the practice in any other way the city may adopt the expedient of refusing to renew the licenses of merchants who persist in using these machines."

Trouble Not Anticipated.

It is not believed, however, that the city authorities will have to resort to such extreme measures to secure the enforcement of the law. Judge Varian has agreed to the request of counsel for the retail cigar dealers for a test case under the new ordinance. If it can be arranged with the supreme court to hand down an early opinion, the matter will be settled, and no further legal trouble is anticipated.

The head of the city's legal department says he is not disposed to act hastily in the matter. Slot machines have been in general use in the city for several years, and no hardship will be worked if their operation continues for a few days longer, he says, until the department is in possession of all information needed for a strict prosecution.

Attitude of Dealers.

When the city commission at a recent meeting enacted an ordinance prohibiting the use of slot machines, cigar dealers and others made the claim that the machines in use were not gambling devices, but merely "trade stimulants." A five-cent cigar is guaranteed with each play, and if the customer draws a winning hand, he receives more than the one cigar. In no case, claim the dealers, does the customer draw a losing hand, and he is guaranteed to receive at least one cigar, and this eliminates the gambling feature.

In a petition to the city commission, the retail cigar dealers recently advanced the assertion that many of the independent dealers would be put out of business if the use of trade machines is prohibited. The commission, however, filed the petition without action and the statement of the corporation counsel indicates that the anti-slot-machine ordinance will not be modified by the city administration.

COUNTY OFFICIALS TO SOON PLAY BALL

A serious case of baseball fever is raging in the county end of the city and county building. A nine is being organized to be exclusively composed of county officials. It has not yet been decided by the promoters whether to join the Trolley league or the Union league. If the Boise franchise matter can be fixed up it is quite likely that the county club would consent to make the eighth team. If the Boise trouble cannot be adjusted, the club will join the Trolley league or an independent one yet to be organized. In making up the team considerable attention is being paid to the individual capabilities of the members and their experience. It has been about decided that the battery shall consist of Sheriff Sharp, as catcher and Commissioner Mackay as pitcher.

The rest of the lineup, as tentatively decided on, is as follows: Commissioner Carlson, first base; Commissioner Burton, second base; Asessor Gabbott, third base; Recorder Jacques, shortstop; Treasurer Bassett, center field; Auditor Vigus, left field; Surveyor Gardner, right field; Judges Lewis, Ritchie, Armstrong, Loofbrow and Morse and Jack Foster, custodian of the building will be held on the reserve list. Everything has been arranged for except a manager of the team. This position, attended by much work and little glory, has been offered to Mrs. W. H. Galt, the county clerk. She has not yet determined whether she ought to accept it or not. In the event she refuses, it is understood that it will be tendered either to County Attorney Willey or Deputy County Clerk Ed Rudge.

It is hoped the team will be organized in a short time in order to indulge in practice games with Cooley's skyrockets before the regular baseball season opens.

After the freshness is worked out of points and muscles the team will challenge prominently. A meeting with a club from the city end of the building is particularly desired.

Held for District Court.

James Cromer, arrested February 24 on a charge of selling cocaine, was bound over to the district court under \$500 bail, following a preliminary hearing in the court of Justice F. M. Bishop yesterday afternoon. Cromer was arrested by Officers Jones and Olsen after falling into a carefully-prepared trap. Marked money given to a woman to buy the drug from him was found in his possession.

Conditions Satisfactory.

Willard Hansen, state dairy and food commissioner, returned yesterday from Eureka, where he went Thursday to investigate reported unsanitary conditions at the Eureka creamery. He was accompanied by James Clawson, a member of the pure food bureau, and Herman Harris, state chemist. The condition of dairies and other places visited in and about Eureka were, contrary to report, found to be in very satisfactory condition.

INTERURBAN ROAD PEOPLE EARNEST

Former Senator Abel John
Evans Talks to Commercial
Club Committee.

READY FOR BUSINESS

Merchants Light Company
Representatives Also Are
Given a Hearing.

The Commercial club committee on public service and utilities met yesterday with representatives of the Salt Lake & Utah County Interurban Railroad company and the Merchants Light & Power company to discuss the applications of both concerns for franchises to enter the local field. Senator Abel John Evans represented the interurban railroad company and Dr. H. M. Rowe, president of the Weber club of Ogden, represented the power company.

The representatives spoke in detail of the plans of their respective companies. The Salt Lake & Utah County Interurban Railroad company had already obtained favorable franchises from all cities and towns through which the proposed line is to pass and asserted that if a favorable franchise could be obtained from Salt Lake City, the work on the construction of the interurban road would be commenced within ninety days and completed within a year.

A sub-committee composed of T. L. Mitchell, chairman; George F. Goodwin, George M. Cannon, Louis Cole and J. J. Davies, was appointed to investigate the proposition and draw up a detailed report with recommendations for presentation at the next session of the committee, which will be held next week. In explaining the object of the franchise application of the power company, Dr. Rowe stated that the company had long been responsible for power rates disavantaged through the development of the city. They asked that the club use its influence in supporting the franchise application before the commission, and stated that the entrance of the power company into the Salt Lake field of lighting and electric power rates would be a most materially reduced.

A sub-committee consisting of C. W. Johnson, chairman; Oliver Hodgson, Joseph Gallagher, Extension Service, and C. C. Dunbee was appointed to investigate and report on the proposition.

WEST SIDE CITIZENS TO VOICE PROTEST

Will Hold Mass Meeting Sunday Night to Consider Problem of Viaducts.

Residents of the west side are not entirely satisfied with the tentative proposition of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad officials to improve means of communication between the west side and the business section of the city. A mass meeting of citizens of both the west and east sides has been called for Sunday night at the twenty-fifth ward meeting house, Eighth West street between Fourth South and Fifth South, to express the opinion of the people on this important question.

The last city council indicated to the railroad company its wish to have a viaduct constructed over the tracks on Fifth South street. The railroad company indicated its wish to build two viaducts, one over Fourth South and another over Sixth South. A tentative proposition to this effect has been made to the city commission, the formal proposition awaiting the arrival next week of certain officials of the company.

A strong protest will be made by the west side citizens, who say the viaduct will virtually mean converting the entire district between the city and the west side into one vast railroad yard, shutting them off from all communication with the city except by means of a viaduct, which they say will naturally be overcrowded.

The meeting Sunday night promises to be well attended, and the matter will be thoroughly considered from all angles.

EAGLES' ROLL CALL IS PLEASANT AFFAIR

One of the most entertaining and pleasant functions ever given by Salt Lake, was the annual roll call of the Eagles, held last night at the Eagles' hall. More than 100 members of the local lodge were in attendance, and the affair was most pleasing and gratifying. There was a diversified programme of "stunts" and a number of interesting addresses by many leading members of the order and long rows of tables loaded with an abundance of refreshments. The evening was most enjoyable and the organization of a membership contest that promises to be unique and exciting, was announced by the order.

Command of Joseph E. Schlottbeck and H. S. McCann. The contest to secure new members lasts for thirty days and when the results are given a dance will be given to the members of the order.

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FINDS LOCAL OFFICE IN FINE CONDITION

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SELLS PHONE PLANT TO MOUNTAIN STATES

Receiver of Davis County
Lines Gets \$30,000 for
Home Co. Property.

MERGER WILL FOLLOW

Expected That Consolidation
Will Take Place Within
Few Weeks.

The telephone property and franchises of the Home Telephone & Electric company of Davis county, at Farmington, yesterday were sold by Receiver Thomas H. Phillips to A. G. Mackenzie of Salt Lake for \$30,000. Bids were solicited through advertisements in the newspapers and Mr. Mackenzie's bid, being the highest, was accepted.

Mr. Mackenzie represents the Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph company, and the two plants in Davis county will be consolidated within a few weeks. It is expected that the Mountain States company will take possession of the plant of the Home company immediately after the sale, which will be submitted to Judge N. J. Harris this month. The Mountain States company does not secure the light and power plant of the Home company. The Home people will continue in the light and power business, but will retire from the telephone field.

The Home company began business about three years ago. Although it secured good local patronage, it has been in financial difficulties for some time, the receivership having existed for more than a year past. It is generally felt in the community that the business of the company was chiefly responsible for its financial failure. Negotiations with the Bell people, looking to a sale of the Home telephone plant, were begun some time ago by a committee of prominent Davis county men of which Jesse M. Smith of Layton is chairman. The situation was thoroughly studied and discussed and the decision to sell was reached after the matter had been presented personally to the stockholders and creditors of the Home company by members of the committee.

It is admitted that yesterday's sale has provided the best possible solution of the Davis county telephone situation. The price is regarded as liberal and the terms agreed on for the sale are believed to be acceptable. Almost every subscriber of the Home company has signed a contract for service with the Mountain States company.

CITY AND VICINITY

N. J. NELSON, recently appointed assessor in the city water works department, has been assigned to the position. Superintendent of Water Works Charles F. Barrett will on Monday recommend the contract for the same to the city council. The assessor, to the vacant place, which pays a salary of \$100 per month. The successor of Mr. Burke has not yet been selected.

WARDEN ARTHUR PRATT of the State prison will go to the southern part of the state Saturday for the purpose of inspecting the penitentiaries in that section. The convicts have been employed there for several weeks in state road work, and according to reports from the camp, the two guards have had no trouble with the prisoners.

THE MORMON church directory for 1912 has just been issued. The book contains the names of all the members of the church, their addresses, presidents of stakes, officers of auxiliary organizations, foreign missions and other information of interest to church members.

THE STATE LAND BOARD has appointed W. D. Candland president of the board and W. J. Lynch, secretary of the board. The board will hold its first meeting on Monday next. The board of the Green River irrigation district, which has asked the state to take over \$50,000 of its bond issue.

THORNTON JACKSON, the only colored man in the police force, has petitioned the city commission for a rebate on the unexpired portion of an express license which he had paid for before he was appointed on the city police force.

THE MONTHLY REPORT of the city auditor was filed with the city commission yesterday. It shows a balance in the city treasury of \$134,704.45 at the close of business February 29. The total cash on hand was \$28,115.48.

LOUIS A. WILSON of Boston, secretary of the American Union association, will speak Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the church of the Holy Trinity, between Second and Third streets. All Unionists and their friends are cordially invited.

A SETTING of criminal cases, appearing before Judge F. C. Loofbrow in the criminal division of the Third district court, March 13.

EUGENE F. DARLING was given a judgment for \$15 against Harry Revier, formerly manager of a moving picture place of amusement, in Judge Ritchie's division of the Third district court yesterday.

CHARGING NON-SUPPORT AND CRUEL TREATMENT

Grace Turner began a suit for judgment for \$15 against Harry Revier, formerly manager of a moving picture place of amusement, in Judge Ritchie's division of the Third district court yesterday.

A FINAL DECREE of divorce was granted Bertha Merrill from James A. Merrill in the Third district court yesterday by Judge Armstrong.

PAYSON LODGE, No. 19, I. O. O. F., of Payson, Utah, filed articles of incorporation yesterday in the office of the secretary of state.

IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT yesterday Judge C. W. Morse granted a liquor license to Joseph Hauck.

MUSICAL PROGRAMME
WILL BE INTERESTING

J. P. Christensen's orchestra of five pieces will furnish the musical programme during Saturday's luncheon at the Commercial club. The programme will be largely interpreted by Hungarian and Spanish renditions, and the "Rigoletto" quartette in instrumental form and selections from "Madam Butterfly" will be featured.

Miss Elizabeth Nichols, contralto, will be the vocal soloist. She will sing "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice" from San Saver's opera, "Samson and Delilah," "When Love's Doves" by Hawley, and "In May Time" by Speaks.

Bad Checks Charged.

On description furnished by the Murray officers, Deputy Sheriff Jack Corless arrested M. G. Smith on a State street car yesterday afternoon on a charge of passing worthless checks. Smith is alleged to have passed several checks on merchants at Murray and Sandy, which later proved to be worthless. He is held at the county jail.

J. J. MORRIS MUST PAY DEATH PENALTY

Supreme Court Denies
Appeal of Slayer of J. W. Ax-
tell for New Trial.

OPINION IS UNANIMOUS